

# VICE INCREASING; TOMBS IS CLOGGED.

## Crusade Against Crime Held Up--City Courts Full of Business.

The Tombs prison is overcrowded. Warden Hagan has today 400 guests, an increase of more than 100 from this time last year.

The Warden is puzzled as to how to accommodate the crowd. He has "doubled up" a number of the inmates, and unless the congestion is relieved by speedy action the Warden thinks outside buildings will have to be leased by the city to hold his guests.

The big increase in the census of the Tombs is due, so the District-Attorney and his staff claim, to the action of the March Grand Jury "in setting aside their routine work to investigate vice."

By their action, so District-Attorney Gardner claims, the courts became clogged and the Tombs filled. But this is only an excuse.

The real reason for the present state of affairs, so the lawyers say, is the

utter inadequacy of our criminal courts to handle the business of the city.

Crime is on the increase, so the lawyers aver, and the records bear out their assertion.

Since April 1 the daily arrivals of "guests" at the Tombs has exceeded forty persons, while the total number disposed of daily in the courts has been less than twenty-five.

In the boys' wing of the Tombs the overcrowding is patent. There are only twenty-four cells in this prison. Today's census shows that there are fifty-five boys awaiting disposition by the courts.

Owing to the accumulation of routine business the present Grand Jury, it was announced this morning in the District-Attorney's office, would not be able to take up any other work. This means that the investigation into vice will not be taken up by the present Grand Jury.

## BABY CREMATED IN HER FATHER'S ARMS.



This baby was burned to death.

Stelka Blank, the three-year-old daughter of Joseph Blank, of 24 East Second street, stole a box of matches from the kitchen shelf this morning and while playing with them burned herself to death.

She was in the lower hallway of the tenement when her skirt ignited. Her screams brought her father. He tried to tear her burning garments from her.

Then he seized her in his arms and carried her to the back yard and turned

the hydrant on her. A clothesline in the yard was covered with blankets, but the excited father did not notice them.

The cold douche made the child unconscious.

She was taken to a neighboring drug store, thence to Bellevue Hospital. Her entire body, arms and face were literally cremated and her golden hair singed off to the scalp. The ambulance surgeon said she could not live.

Her father's beard was burned off and his hands and face scorched in his unsuccessful attempt to save her.

## OLD HOMESTEAD IN SPLINTERS.

Starter's Box, Park Row  
Landmark, Smashed  
by Trolley.

"Joe" Hart's "Old Homestead," which has been a landmark at the Park Row end of the Post-Office, was wrecked this morning by an electric car that had no respect for traditions.

The "Old Homestead" is the starter's box that has been there for nearly eighteen years, and was occupied for a long time by Joseph Hart, brother of Henry Hart, who built up the Third Avenue system, only to lose it.

There is a spur in the track loop at Broadway, and when car No. 71 backed in on the spur it had too much headway. It knocked "The Old Homestead" over with a loud crash, ripped off the roof and smashed in the sides.

It is one of the last reminders of the Hart family to give way to the new order of things.

RUINED BY GRASSHOPPERS.

Russians Tried Farming in Argentine Republic, but Found the Job Too Hard.

Six families of Russian Jews, thirty-five persons in all, arrived here yesterday on the Kaiser William II. They have been detained at the Barge Office pending an investigation into their claims.

The people left Rio de Janeiro ten weeks ago. They had been farming in the Argentine Republic and their crops were ruined by grasshoppers.

## SOUBRETTE'S BLOOD SAVED MAN'S LIFE.

How Elaine Selover Is Said to Have Been  
Good Angel to a Dying Wealthy  
Philadelphian.



Elaine Selover is a girl of petite figure with laughing eyes and a shock of fair hair. She is a member of the "Mammie" "Askins" company. She will arrive in Philadelphia on Monday and be warmly greeted by two happy and grateful parents, who cannot do too much for her, and with whom she is a heroine.

It is due to her that their son and heir is today walking the streets of that city instead of filling a grave in England. By giving her one life-blood and undergoing an operation that might have killed her she brought him back from the shadow of death.

It was about a year ago that the young man, who is the son of a well-known merchant, went to Europe on vacation with a friend. They met Miss Selover in London, where she had gone with "The Belle of New York."

On the day the young man and his friend were to sail for home he was taken suddenly ill with hemorrhages and had to be left behind.

Terribly sick a little later the young man all alone in his lodgings would think of no one to whom to appeal but the chorus girl. She came and found him almost unconscious from loss of blood. She called a doctor hastily. He declared that there was only one man in England could save him, and he was in Brighton and it would cost \$500 to get him.

Miss Selover was dumfounded, for she had no such sum, but she appealed to Gustave Kerk, the musical director of her company, and he agreed to be responsible for the amount until the boy's parents could be called.

The Brighton man was sent for. While they waited for him the boy's life hung on a thread.

This is man such a great physician! Miss Selover asked the doctor while they waited.

He is not a physician at all," he answered. "Transmission of blood from a healthy person alone can save this boy, and this is the man we must get. If he does not get here soon the boy is done for."

"Why can't you tap my blood?" asked Miss Selover.

"Are you in earnest?" the doctor asked, astounded.

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## FIRE DELAYS A WEDDING.

Mrs. Berrick's Trousseau  
Burned, She Calls  
a Halt.

Mrs. Evelyn Berrick, of 106 West One Hundred and Fifteenth street, tearfully announced this morning the postponement of her wedding and subsequent trip to Paris.

The bridegroom is ready and anxious, but Mrs. Berrick is too distressed to think of matrimony just now.

Fire visited her apartments last night and totally destroyed her trousseau. Two months' labor and \$2,000 had been expended in accumulating it. She and her daughter, Miss Gertrude, lost other garments, valued at \$1,000.

Their entire wardrobe is on their backs this morning.

Mrs. Berrick and her daughter occupy the third floor of a handsome stone front apartment-house at 106 West One Hundred and Fifteenth street. Before going out for a trolley ride last night they lighted a small kerosene lamp to heat their curling tongs. Neither remembers having extinguished the lamp.

Some time after 10 o'clock Mr. Rose, occupying an adjoining apartment, aroused by the odor of smoke, discovered Mrs. Berrick's apartments in flames. He aroused other occupants of the house. Mrs. J. W. Freund, living over the burning apartment, had a narrow escape. She grabbed her clothes and fled, completing her toilet in the lower hall. An alarm brought Engine Company No. 45 and they subdued the flames in fifteen minutes.

Mrs. Berrick and her daughter returned as the firemen were leaving. When she saw the ruin wrought by the fire she fainted and then had hysterics. This morning she was picking over the charred remains of her trousseau. Expensive gowns were blackened by the fire and what escaped the flames was ruined by water.

"No, indeed, the marriage will not go on," she said to an Evening World reporter. "We have nothing to wear but the clothes on my back. We were to have been married in a few weeks. Not I will not tell you his name. The wedding has to be postponed."

The Sunday World Want section is an inexhaustible fountain; it is fed by those who have and supplies those who want.

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Two steel white perfect gems, 14 karats, blaz of fire, worth \$125.00, special.	Extra fine gem perfectly cut, 1-15 karats, superb color, Belcher setting, worth \$100.00, special.	Genuine Diamond Ring, pure white diamond, very brilliant, Tiffany gold, worth \$200.00, special.	Engagement Ring, pure white diamond, very brilliant, Tiffany gold, worth \$200.00, special.	Fifteen genuine Diamonds, solid gold, worth \$200.00, special.
\$50.00.	\$45.00.	\$75.00.	\$25.00.	\$7.00.

Gentlemen's Watch, solid gold throughout, hunting case, genuine Waltham or Elgin movement. \$18.00.

Ladies' American Watch, solid 14 kt. gold throughout, hunting case, beautifully engraved. \$12.50.

Wedding Rings. NO EXTRA CHARGE FOR ENGRAVING. Open Evenings till 8:30; Saturdays till 10. Send for our illustrated circular of special bargains. Mail orders receive prompt attention.

WE HAVE THEM IN EVERY STYLE, made of solid "seamless" 14 and 18 kt. gold.

Extra heavy, closely woven. Designs of squares and stripes in Oriental reds, blues, greens, etc. Artistic and durable Summer furniture at lowest prices. "Long Credit" is a gold mine for all prospectors for beautiful homes.

China Matting.....\$6.50  
Japan Matting..... 7.50  
(per roll of 40 yds., value \$9 to \$12.)  
Extra heavy, closely woven. Designs of squares and stripes in Oriental reds, blues, greens, etc. Artistic and durable Summer furniture at lowest prices. "Long Credit" is a gold mine for all prospectors for beautiful homes.

Right from our workrooms to the counters--4,700 Men's Single Breasted Blue Serge Suits.

Special at \$10.00

This is one of the special features of our vast and elegant stock of Spring and Summer Clothing--Suits that are elegantly made--broad, square shoulders--single or Double breasted Vests.

These suits can only be held at the marvellously low price of \$10.00 because we are such large producers of Fine Clothing--and sell direct to the consumer.

Mail orders promptly filled.

Vogel Brothers  
8th Ave. Cor. 42nd St.  
OPEN EVENINGS.

CIGAR SPECIAL.

TO-DAY AND TO-MORROW.  
GEO. W. CHILDS CIGAR, \$2.00 PER BOX OF 50.  
All Havana BREVAS, Equal to Imported, \$1.95, Per Box of 25.

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JEFFREYS & CO.,  
1 Park Row, cor. Ann St. Also 31 Corlandt St.

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## WE REGRET

that owing to the overwhelming response to our opening advertisement we were compelled to refuse admittance to many intending customers. We are now prepared to attend to all comers. Our Opening Sale STILL continues.

### Clothing, Hats and Furnishings

At prices that will advertise the new store for the rest of the season.

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MEN'S SUITS, strictly all wool, in Cheviots, Serges, Clays, Vicunas, imported Worsted and all the latest shades of Oxfords and stripes in sacks, frocks and Prince Alberts, elegantly made by skilled tailors, just in for our Opening Sale at \$18.00, \$14.00, \$9.75, \$7.45 and	MEN'S TOP COATS, of Covert and English Whipcord, silk lined, short or long, including the fashionable Raglan. These garments are the same as the well-known coats turned out by the fashionable tailors and worth double the price asked. This week \$16.50 \$4.50, \$8.00, \$10.00, \$12.50 and	BOYS' SUITS, 2 and 3 pieces, the latter with double-breasted vest (7 to 16 yrs.), vests and sailors (3 to 10 yrs.) in Cheviots, Cassimeres and Tweeds, light or dark shades, well made and cut in the latest style, and handsomely trimmed, \$6.45, \$4.95, \$3.45, \$2.95 and
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We consider no transaction complete unless entire satisfaction is given.  
CLOTHING KEPT IN REPAIR FREE. MONEY RETURNED ON REQUEST.

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MEN'S SPRING OVERCOATS, in fine coverts, whipcords, vicunas and chevrons, made in the latest style, lined with good Italian cloth or satin.

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\$11.25

SILK WAISTS, made of extra heavy taffeta, corded, tucked or pleated, in all the newest shades; some very handsome fancy Waists, from

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West 14th St.

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Extra heavy, closely woven. Designs of squares and stripes in Oriental reds, blues, greens, etc. Artistic and durable Summer furniture at lowest prices. "Long Credit" is a gold mine for all prospectors for beautiful homes.

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Prices 25c. to \$1.50 GOOD REV'D SEATS, 50c. As played 200 nights. THE GREAT RUBY. The best of all performances--N. Y. WORLD. Big Cast--Rose Coghlan, Minnie Seligman--100 ocha.

AMERICAN C. 21 St. & 3rd Ave.  
A Gay Glimpse of Jolly Japan. 347. Mat. Wed. & Sat. Next Week--The Black Horse.

CASH OR CREDIT  
COWPERTHWAIT & CO.  
104 106 and 108 West 14th St.  
NEAR 6TH AVE.  
Brooklyn Stages: Flatbush Ave. near Fulton St.

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EMPIRE THEATRE. Broadway & 50th St. LAST 2 NIGHTS. Last Mat. Sat. 2.15. A MAN & HIS WIFE. Presented by the Theatre--Empire Co. to "LORD & LADY ALICE."

GARRICK THEATRE. 50th St. & 5th Ave. LAST 2 NIGHTS. Sat. & Sun. Sat. 2.15. HACKETT, THE PRIDE OF JENNICO. Wm. Gillette. New Play.

GARDEN THEATRE. 27th St. & Madison Ave. "The Biggest Kind of a Ho--Ho--Ho." Sat. & Sun. Sat. 2.15. CHARLIE PROCTOR'S HEARTS ARE TRUMPS. 140,000 Production.

MADISON SQ. THEATRE. 24th St. & 3rd Ave. Sat. & Sun. Sat. 2.15. WHY SMITH LEFT HOME. Sat. & Sun. Sat. 2.15.

DALY'S. To-Night & Sat. at 8.15. MY DAUGHTER-IN-LAW. Sat. & Sun. Sat. 2.15.

LYCEUM. Sat. & Sun. Sat. 2.15. DANGEROUS WOMEN. Sat. & Sun. Sat. 2.15.

STAR. Sat. & Sun. Sat. 2.15. THE CASINO GIRL. Sat. & Sun. Sat. 2.15.

THE Casino Girl. Sat. & Sun. Sat. 2.15.

Amusements.

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Proctor's. 23d St. & 3rd Ave. Mile Cornille. 15c. 25c. 50c. 75c. 1.00. 1.50. 2.00. 2.50. 3.00. 3.50. 4.00. 4.50. 5.00. 5.50. 6.00. 6.50. 7.00. 7.50. 8.00. 8.50. 9.00. 9.50. 10.00. 10.50. 11.00. 11.50. 12.00. 12.50. 13.00. 13.50. 14.00. 14.50. 15.00. 15.50. 16.00. 16.50. 17.00. 17.50. 18.00. 18.50. 19.00. 19.50. 20.00. 20.50. 21.00. 21.50. 22.00. 22.50. 23.00. 23.50. 24.00. 24.50. 25.00. 25.50. 26.00. 26.50. 27.00. 27.50. 28.00. 28.50. 29.00. 29.50. 30.00. 30.50. 31.00. 31.50. 32.00. 32.50. 33.00. 33.50. 34.00. 34.50. 35.00. 35.50. 36.00. 36.50. 37.00. 37.50. 38.00. 38.50. 39.00. 39.50. 40.00. 40.50. 41.00. 41.50. 42.00. 42.50. 43.00. 43.50. 44.00. 44.50. 45.00. 45.50. 46.00. 46.50. 47.00. 47.50. 48.00. 48.50. 49.00. 49.50. 50.00. 50.50. 51.00. 51.50. 52.00. 52.50. 53.00. 53.50. 54.00. 54.50. 55.00. 55.50. 56.00. 56.50. 57.00. 57.50. 58.00. 58.50. 59.00. 59.50. 60.00. 60.50. 61.00. 61.50. 62.00. 62.50. 63.00. 63.50. 64.00. 64.50. 65.00. 65.50. 66.00. 66.50. 67.00. 67.50. 68.00. 68.50. 69.00. 69.50. 70.00. 70.50. 71.00. 71.50. 72.00. 72.50. 73.00. 73.50. 74.00. 74.50. 75.00. 75.50. 76.00. 76.50. 77.00. 77.50. 78.00. 78.50. 79.00. 79.50. 80.00. 80.50. 81.00. 81.50. 82.00. 82.50. 83.00. 83.50. 84.00. 84.50. 85.00. 85.50. 86.00. 86.50. 87.00. 87.50. 88.00. 88.50. 89.00. 89.50. 90.00. 90.50. 91.00. 91.50. 92.00. 92.50. 93.00. 93.50. 94.00. 94.50. 95.00. 95.50. 96.00. 96.50. 97.00. 97.50. 98.00. 98.50. 99.00. 99.50. 100.00. 100.50. 101.00. 101.50. 102.00. 102.50. 103.00. 103.50. 104.00. 104.50. 105.00. 105.50. 106.00. 106.50. 107.00. 107.50. 108.00. 108.50. 109.00. 109.50. 110.00. 110.50. 111.00. 111.50. 112.00. 112.50. 113.00. 113.50. 114.00. 114.50. 115.00. 115.50. 116.00. 116.50. 117.00. 117.50. 118.00. 118.50. 119.00. 119.50. 120.00. 120.50. 121.00. 121.50. 122.00. 122.50. 123.00. 123.50. 124.00. 124.50. 125.00. 125.50. 126.00. 126.50. 127.00. 127.50. 128.00. 128.50. 129.00. 129.50. 130.00. 130.50. 131.00. 131.50. 132.00. 132.50. 133.00. 133.50. 134.00. 134.50. 135.00. 135.50. 136.00. 136.50. 137.00. 137.50. 138.00. 138.50. 139.00. 139.50. 140.00. 140.50. 141.00. 141.50. 142.00. 142.50. 143.00. 143.50. 144.00. 144.50. 145.00. 145.50. 146.00. 146.50. 147.00. 147.50. 148.00. 148.50. 149.00. 149.50. 150.00. 150.50. 151.00. 151.50. 152.00. 152.50. 153.00. 153.50. 154.00. 154.50. 155.00. 155.50. 156.00. 156.50. 157.00. 157.50. 158.00. 158.50. 159.00. 159.50. 160.00. 160.50. 161.00. 161.50. 162.00. 162.50. 163.00. 163.50. 164.00. 164.50. 165.00. 165.50. 166.00. 166.50. 167.00. 167.50. 168.00. 168.50. 169.00. 169.50. 170.00. 170.50. 171.00. 171.50. 172.00. 172.50. 173.00. 173.50. 174.00. 174.50. 175.00. 175.50. 176.00. 176.50. 177.00. 177.50. 178.00. 178.50. 179.00. 179.50. 180.00. 180.50. 181.00. 181.50. 182.00. 182.50. 183.00. 183.50. 184.00. 184.50. 185.00. 185.50. 186.00. 186.50. 187.00. 187.50. 188.00. 188.50. 189.00. 189.50. 190.00. 190.50. 191.00. 191.50. 192.00. 192.50. 193.00. 193.50. 194.00. 194.50. 195.00. 195.50. 196.00. 196.50. 197.00. 197.50. 198.00. 198.50. 199.00. 199.50. 200.00. 200.50. 201